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COMMUNICATION

Sir:

This confirms the telephone communication on Thursday, February 26, 2004 at 14:30 between Stanton Braden and Examiner Abbas Abdulsalam wherein it was pointed out to Examiner Abdulsalam that the Setogawa (6,246,402) reference and the subject application were commonly owned at the time the invention of the subject application was made and thus unavailable as a § 103 reference.

CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

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Examiner Abdulsalam confirmed that he would review the assignment and withdraw the pending final rejection upon confirming the common ownership.

If it assists the Examiner, the attorney of record makes the following statement of common ownership which is recognized in the MPEP at 706.02(1)(2) II as being sufficient to establish common ownership:

STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP

Application Serial Number 09/601,940 and Patent Number 6,246,402 were, at the time the invention of Application Number 09/601,940 was made, owned by Sony Corporation.

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